



**Deb Peters** – Republican. Dist. 9: Minnehaha County. Address: 705 N Sagehorn Drive, Hartford 57033. Date of Birth: October 11, 1974, Sioux Falls. Spouse: Chris. Children: Derick, and Braden. Lutheran. I am a wife, mother, and small business owner. I started my business consulting company in June of 2003. I am a Certified Public Accountant and have been working in the public accounting arena for the past 8 years. State Representative, 2005-present.



**J. E. "Jim" Putnam** – Republican. Dist. 19: Bon Homme, Douglas, Hutchinson, Turner Counties. Address: Box 490, Armour 57313. Date of Birth: April 18, 1940, Armour. Children: Don, Connie, Amy and Dean. Catholic. Armour High School, 1958. Self-employed in promotional sales. US Air Force 1960-68, Strategic Air Command, 817th Air Division, 509th Bomb Wing. Gold Medal Winner, US Air Force, Europe, Judo 1964. Lions; VFW; American Legion; 4-H Foundation; Farm Bureau. Douglas County Republican Chair, 2 terms. House Assistant Majority Whip, 1995-96. State Representative, 1987-2001; State Senator, 2001-2003; State Representative, 2003-present..



**Valentine "Val" B. Rausch** – Republican. Dist. 4: Brookings, Deuel, Grant, Moody Counties. Address: PO Box 176, Big Stone City. Date of Birth: April 5, 1960, Ortonville, MN. Spouse: Paula Ann (Miles) Rausch. Children: Miles, Bryce, Molly, Brenna. Catholic. K-8 Big Stone City; Ortonville High School; BS Northern State University, Business Management and Marketing; 17 Years at Rausch Bros. Monument Co. (Production Manager, Sales Manager); Own & Operate Omega Lettering Inc., since 2000 (a cemetery lettering business). Mayor of Big Stone City 1993-1999; Knights of Columbus; Northeast South Dakota Health Foundation BOD; Past BOD Monument Builders of North America; Past BOD Northwest Monument Builders; Past Planning & Zoning Board of Grant County. Appropriations Committee, 2005; State Representative, 2005-present.

**Tim Rave** – Republican. Dist. 25: Hanson, McCook, Minnehaha Counties. Address: 46923 250<sup>th</sup> St., Baltic, 57003. Date of Birth: July 24, 1967. Lutheran. Candy Vocational School, 1988; McKennan Hospital Paramedic Program, 1990. Rural/Metro Ambulance, 1992-present. Vice President, SD EMT Association; Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Board; Jaycees. State Representative, 2003-present.



**Larry Rhoden** – Republican. Dist. 29: Meade, Butte Counties. Address: PO Box 512, Union Center 57787. Date of Birth: February 5, 1959, Sturgis. Spouse: Sandy Murphy. Children: Jesse Murphy, Cody, Reggie, Tristen. Rancher. Baptist. Sunshine Bible Academy; Northwestern Vocational School. Rancher; Custom Welder. Former Army National Guard; Past President Cenex of Union Center, Sturgis, and Belle Fourche; Past Trustee of Community Baptist Church; Past Member: FmHA County Committee, Meade School Board; State Representative, 2001-present.



**Elaine A. Roberts** – Democrat. Dist. 9: Minnehaha County. Address: 2204 E First Street, Sioux Falls. Date of Birth: November 14, 1940, Sioux City, Iowa. Spouse: Jerry J. Children: Scott, Kevin, Julie. Methodist. Augustana College, Sioux Falls, 1981 BA, 1988 MA. Founding board member-SD Parent Connection; Sp. Educ. teacher, Sioux Falls School District; Past president SF Education Association; Participant-SF Tomorrow I; SF Chamber Education Committee; Participant/Leader-Sioux Empire United Way Campaigns; Participant, Governor Mickelson's Centennial Education Summit; Past president SD Educ. Association; NEA Board Member; Chair NEA Special Committee on Rural Education; Participant-US Congressional Retirement Summit; Honorary Life Member SD PTA; SDEA/NEA Teacher of Excellence; Active member Wesley United Methodist Church; Lay member Dakotas Conference UMC; Board member Sunnycrest Village; Delegate 2000 National Democratic Convention. State Representative, 2005-present.





**Tim Rounds** – Republican. Dist. 24: Hughes, Stanley, Sully Counties. Address: 513 N Van Buren, Pierre 57501. Spouse: Kristin. T.F. Riggs High School, 1978; BS, Black Hills State University, 1983; Associate in Claims Designation, 1993. Insurance Agent. Previously employed as an independant insurance adjuster for 20 years. Aberdeen Exchange Club, President; Dakota Territory District Exchange Club, President; Dakota Pond, Royal Order of Blue Goose, President; Aberdeen Mens Basketball Association, President; Pierre/Ft. Pierre Exchange Club; SD Claims Association; Blue Goose, Dakota Pond; Precinct Captain: 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996; State Delegate; Awards: Exchangite of the Year, Aberdeen Exchange Club, 1986-1987; Exchangite of the Year, Dakota Territory District, 1988-1989. State Representative, 2003-present.



**Donna Schafer** – Republican. Dist. 17: Clay and Turner Counties. Address: 304 Canby St., Vermillion, 57069. Spouse: Jerry. Children: Mary, Catherine, Jonathan, Charles, Cynthia. Protestant. Augustana Academy, 1954; University of South Dakota, BS, 1972, MS, 1978. Jolley Elementary School, Teacher; United National Bank, Teller. WH Over Museum Board; Sioux Council of Girl Scouts Board; President, Treasurer, Church Board; President, Vice President, Treasurer, Vermillion Education Association; Treasurer of Delta Kappa Gamma; DAR; VFW Auxiliary; Clay County Historical Society; NEA; SDEA; VEA; Vermillion Chamber of Commerce; Vermillion Development Association; Vermillion Beautiful; Faith Fellowship Church; Republican Clay County Committee Woman, 2000-present; Central Committee, SD Republican Party, 2000-present; Executive Committee, SD Republican Party, 2003-present. State Representative, 2003-present.



**Lou Sebert** - Republican. Dist. 20: Davison, Aurora Counties. Address: 46 N Harmon Dr., Mitchell 57301. Date of Birth: December 17, 1935, Java. Spouse: Carol Spindler. Children: Laurie Hamar, Jeanne Mann, Jennifer Glovich and Bob, Bill and Jim Sebert. Catholic. Aberdeen School of Commerce; Dakota Wesleyan University. Previous owner, Dakota Pump Inc. US Army, 1955-57; SD Hall of Fame, 1996; Governor's Volunteer of Year, 1994; South Dakota's Top 100 Influential People by "Eyes of You" magazine; Catholic Family Services Board, Sioux Falls; SD Hall of Fame Board; National Assoc. of Manufacturers; SD Industry/Commerce; Queen of Peace Hospital Board; Mitchell Industrial Development; Mitchell Chamber; Elks; Moose; Knights of Columbus; Exchange Club; Mitchell Safety and Health. State Representative, 1999-present.

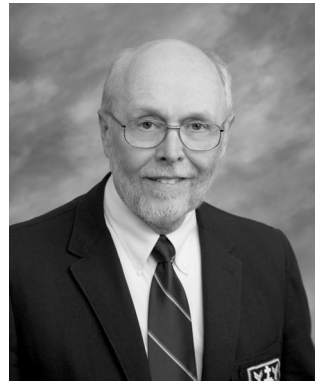
**David Sigdestad** – Democrat. Dist. 1: Day, Roberts, Marshall Counties. Address: 42449 133<sup>rd</sup> St., Pierpont 57468. Date of Birth: May 15, 1942, Bristol. Spouse: Ava Ash. Children: Susan, Stephen. Lutheran. Bristol High School, 1960; BS in Business Administration, Northern State, 1964. Farmer, Sales. Township Supervisor; Museum of Science, Wildlife and Industry Board; Master Mason; Shriner. Former Bristol School Board, 9 years; State Representative, 2001-present.



**Steve Street** – Democrat. Dist. 4: Brookings, Deuel, Grant, Moody. Address: 16153 486th Ave., Revillo 57259. Date of Birth: September 4, 1950, Ortonville, MN. Spouse: Gail. Lutheran. Lifetime farmer residing on the "home farm." Graduate of South Dakota State University; Past member of South Dakota Corn Utilization Council; Current member of American Coalition for Ethanol; Current board member of Northern Lights Ethanol. House Commerce and House Transportation, 2005; State Representative, 2005-present. .



**Bill Thompson** – Democrat. Dist. 13: Minnehaha County. Address: 709 E Wiswall Pl, Sioux Falls 57105. Date of Birth: February 13, 1944. Spouse: Anne. Children: William Geoffrey and Sarah. United Church of Christ. Aberdeen Central High, 1962; Northern State University, BA, 1967; University of Kansas, MA, 1973. Valet at Orthopedic Institute, 2001-2003; Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls, Teacher, 1968-1970, 1974-2001; University of Illinois, Instructor, 1980-1981; University of Kansas, Assistant Instructor, 1970-1974. Nation Endowment for the Humanities Independent Scholar Grant, 1990-1991; University Associate in Rhetoric, University of Illinois, 1980-1981; Granite City Jaycees, Teacher of the Year, 1976; Rotary Foundation Fellow to Canterbury University, New Zealand, 1967. State Representative, 2003-present.





**Larry J. Tidemann** – Republican. Dist. 7: Brookings County. Address: 251 Indian Hills Road, Brookings 57006. Spouse: Gail Dobbs. State Representative, 2005-present.

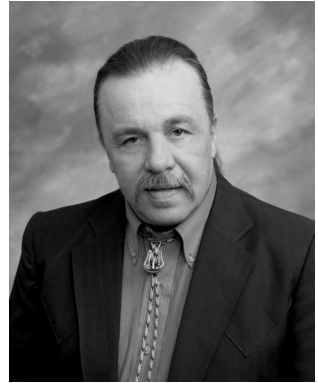


**R. Shawn Tornow** – Republican. Dist. 14: Minnehaha County. Address: 4601 S Fireside Ave, Sioux Falls 57103. Date of Birth: 1962. Spouse: Dawn. Children: Three. Baptist. Graduated from USD School of Law, 1987; “BV-rated attorney who has been licensed and actively engaged in practice of law since 1988. Served as a prosecutor at the state and county levels of government, and has worked on civil litigation matters in South Dakota.” State Representative, 2005-present.

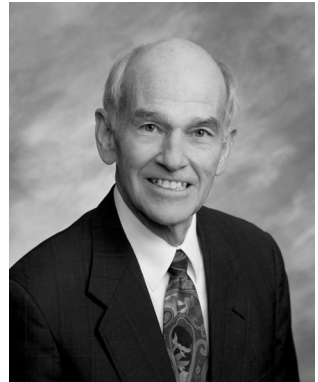


**Charles M. Turbiville** – Republican. Dist. 31: Lawrence County. Address: 458 Williams Street, Deadwood 57732. Date of Birth: July 13, 1943, Buffalo. Children: Krista, Jenni, Becky. Catholic. Raised in Newell, SD. Attended USD and BHSU. Three years in the military including one year in Viet Nam. Governor's Office of Economic Development for 16 years. Present, Executive Director of the Deadwood Economic Development Corporation. State Representative, 2005-present.

**Paul Valandra** - Democrat. Dist. 27: Shannon, Todd, Bennett Counties. Address: PO Box 909, Mission 57555. Children: Terri, Elijah, Rachel and Sarah Valandra. Todd County High School; Black Hills State University; University of South Dakota; Oglala Lakota College; Sinte Gleska College. Self employed. Sergeant, US Marine Corps, 1972-75. Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council Member, 1984-85, 1995-96. State Senator, 1991-2001. State Representative, 2001-present.



**Donald Van Etten** – Republican. Dist. 33: Part of Pennington and Meade Counties. Address: 7715 Cinnamon Ridge Dr., Rapid City 57702. Date of Birth: March 10, 1934, Orange City, IA. Spouse: Verla. Children: Julie Skea, Kristen Fabrie, Karen Schut, and Jeffrey Van Etten. Rimrock Evangelical Free Church. BA cum laude, Hope College, 1956; MD, University of Iowa, 1960; Surgical Residency, Butterworth Hospital, 1961-1965. Retired Surgeon. Precinct Chairman; Fellow of American College of Surgeons; Member of the Black Hills District Medical Association; SD Medical Society; American Medical Association; Past Chairman of the Board, Rapid City Regional Hospital's Same Day Surgery Center; Past Chairman & Member of the Board, Bethany Christian Services; Safari Club International Member; SD Wildlife Federation Member; Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Member; State Representative, 2001-present.



**Thomas Van Norman** – Democrat. Dist. 28A: Corson, Dewey, Ziebach Counties. Address: PO Box 700, Eagle Butte, 57625. Date of Birth: March 20, 1964, Elmhurst, Illinois. Lakota/Presbyterian. General Douglas MacArthur High School, 1982; BA Political Science, State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1987; J.D., University of Colorado at Boulder School of Law, 1992. Attorney. Student Senator, State University of New York at Stony Brook; Treasurer, O'Neill College; Native American Law Students Association President; New York State Regents Scholarship, 1982; Dean's List. Bar Associations: Washington, South Dakota, Colorado, Federal, and Native American. State Representative, 2001-present.





**Mike Vehle** – Republican. Dist. 20: Aurora, Davison Counties. Address: 132 N Harmon Drive, Mitchell. Date of Birth: November 17, 1949, Reliance. Methodist. Graduated from Chamberlain High School and University of South Dakota; Legislative Aide to Congressman James Abdnor for 4 years; Former President of Shanard Inc. (grain, feed, and fertilizer business); Involved in starting the first Multibank Community Development Corporation; Currently Vice President and Credit Card Manager of CorTrust Bank. Involvement in various boards and organizations including, Former President, Mitchell Chamber of Commerce; State Railroad Advisory Board; Federal Grain Inspection Service Advisory Board. State Representative, 2005-present.



**Keri K. Weems** – Republican. Dist. 11: Lincoln, Minnehaha Counties. Address: 7308 W. Lancaster St., Sioux Falls, 57106. Place of Birth: Minneapolis, MN. Spouse: Jim. Children: Kortney, Koressa, Jonah. Protestant. South Dakota State University, Commercial Economics; University of South Dakota, MBA. 3M Material Control Analyst; Falcon Plastics, Purchasing Manager; American Production and Inventory Control Society; Purchasing Managers Association; Toastmasters International. Deputy Mayor, Brookings, 1999-2002; City Councilor, Brookings, 1999-2002; State Representative, 2003-present.



**Hal Wick** – Republican. Dist. 12: Minnehaha, Lincoln Counties. Address: 3009 Donahue Dr, Sioux Falls 57105. Date of Birth: October 31, 1944, New Ulm, Minnesota. Spouse: Jane Rance. Children: Anne Nelson, Paula Jo Valentine, Betsey J. and Ross A. Wick. Catholic. O'Gorman High School, 1962; Bachelor of Science, South Dakota State University, 1967. Retired Pilot, Northwest Airlines, 1972-October 30, 2004. South Dakota Air National Guard, 1975-1994; Iowa National Guard, 1969-1974. Chair, Local Council of Airline Pilots Association. State Representative, 1977-1980, 1995-1999, 2001-present.

**Mark K. Willadsen** – Republican. Dist. 11: Minnehaha County. Address: 6104 W Cheyenne Dr., Sioux Falls 57106. Date of Birth: February 17, 1955, Sioux Falls. Spouse: Suzanne. Children: Laura, Jill, Matt. Lutheran. Owner: Willadsen Insurance Agency, 22 years, Farmers Insurance Group, Auto, Home and Life insurance. State Representative, 2005-present.

